

WHEREAS, A family moving into a new community receives a most warm and cordial welcome extended by the personable hostesses of Welcome Wagon International and this initial greeting does a great deal in encouraging a sense of community activity and belonging; and,

WHEREAS, Since the beginning of their program forty-eight years ago, Welcome Wagon hostesses have performed a much needed and constructive community and social service in scores of cities and with the rapid movement of families from one community to another, this commendable expression of greeting and welcome is all the more necessary and appreciated; and,

WHEREAS, Welcome Wagon hostesses also call upon South Dakota residents on the occasions of arrival of babies and when the engagement of a daughter is announced as well as upon other special occasions; and,

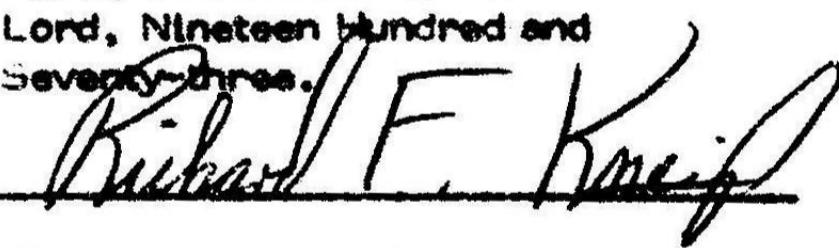
WHEREAS, This community service requires the whole hearted cooperation of our citizens in support of the Welcome Wagon service in their respective communities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 30 - May 5, 1973, as

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in South Dakota; and I congratulate the members of this fine organization for the outstanding service they render toward building civic responsibility and spirit.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 30th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen hundred and Seventy-three.



RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



LORNA B. MERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE